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Alaska
Pioneer
Homes
Mission
Statement:

Providing elder Alaskans a home and community, celebrating life through its final breath.

Administrator's Corner

Greetings from Juneau!

The rain is back and we are thankful for the two weeks of warm sunny days earlier this month! Last Friday, the JPH's upper parking lot became a picnic ground where elders and staff enjoyed a wonderful lunch complete with s'mores. A few trips around Juneau, including a stop at McDonald's for ice cream brought smiles to our elders.

The work to get the Head Start classroom ready for this school year is underway. We missed the children and look forward to having them back in the Home this September.

As always, volunteers are welcome in the JPH. If you have an hour or two a week, and would love to spend time with elders, assist with recreational activities, take care of indoor plants, pick up recycling, clean fish tank etc., please contact our Activities Director at josielind.ferrer@alaska.gov. Thanks for your continued support.

Thanks,

Gina :=)

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July Highlights



JEANNETTE AND LENORE LEARN TO MAKE FRY BREAD.



SMOKEY LOUNGING ON TOP OF A BLACK SHINY CAR



KAREN & DOTTIE DURING ADVENTURE TRIP



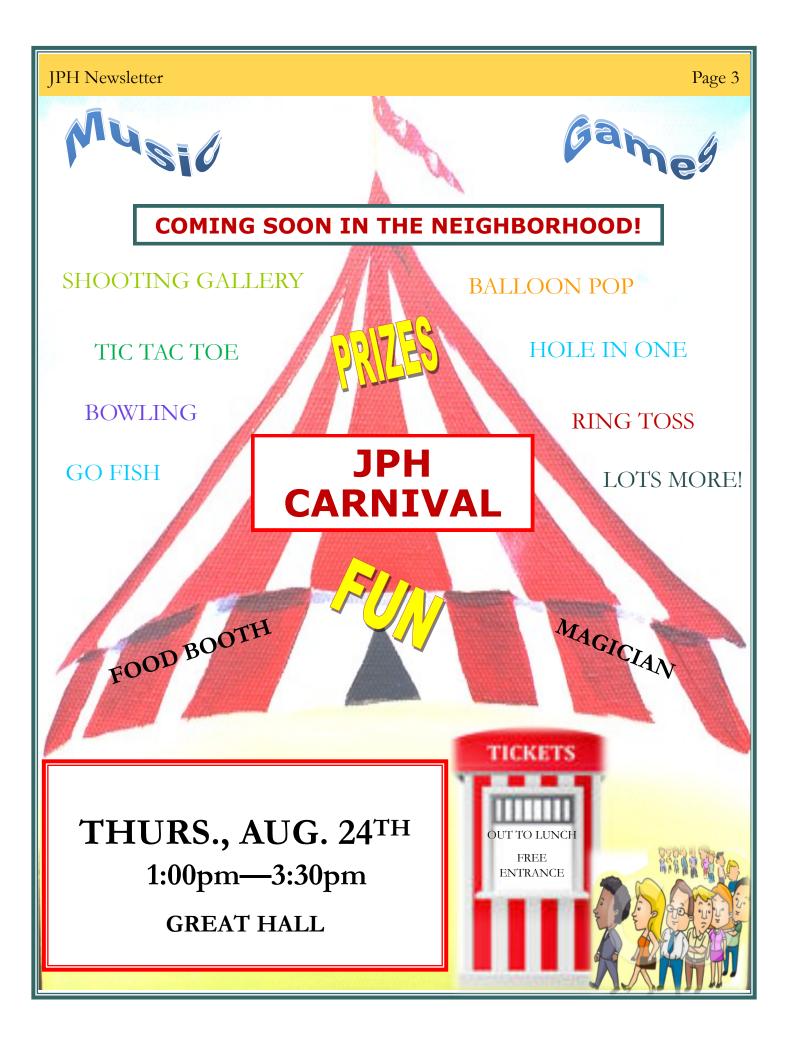
THEY CALL THEMSELVES "DAUGHTERS AND FUTURE RESIDENTS"





CNA QUILT PRESENTATION





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WHAT'S UP NEIGHBORS?

ACTIVITIES AT-A-GLANCE

Singing w/Jacque & Jack

Mon & Thurs—10:30am

Bingo

Mon, Tues, Fri & Sun

1:30pm-2:30pm

Board & Cards Games

Everyday @ 3pm

Bread Making / Tasting

Tues, 10:30am / 3:00pm

Fun & Fit / Exercises

Monday—Sunday

4:00pm

Pioneer's Choice

6pm

Music with Dale

Every other Tues, 6pm

Piano Tues with T.J.

Every other Thurs, 6pm

Ice Cream Social

Fridays (a), 1pm



AUGUST RESIDENTS BIRTHDAY

John Martin—August 16

Wedding Ring

Soon after marriage, a lady's husband stopped wearing his wedding ring. She asked, "Why don't you ever wear your wedding band?"

He replied, "It cuts off my circulation."

She answered back, "It's supposed to!"

Eversound Headphones

We are testing new headphones for some of our elders during activities to see if they are effective.

We have a 30 day trial period.



SEPT RESIDENTS BIRTHDAY

Margo Lewis—Sept. 6 Howard Rider—Sept. 30 JPH Newsletter Page 5

NEWS AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Welcome to Waterside Neighborhood, Malcolm!



After the Army, Malcolm got his teaching certificate in Science at the University of Montana on the GI Bill. Malcolm visited his brother in Kenai and he decided to apply for teaching jobs. He taught 8th

grade Science for many years until he retired. While in his late twenties, Malcolm met his wife Katie while playing Badminton, he thought she was a 'cute little gal'. They spent time going for coffee and taking hikes together. Katie went back to school out of state and Malcolm continued to write her until they won each other's hearts. Katie and Malcolm have 2 children Allison (lives in Oregon) and Carl (lives in Nepal as a Foreign Service Officer) and have 3 grandchildren.

SPOTLIGHT Betty Smith



Betty is a spry 97 year old who continues to be as independent today as she has been throughout her life. She was born in Ohio and while in the Women's Army Corp, Betty

met her (late) husband Joe Smith who, like her, was in the Army and they moved to Alaska in 1944. They owned and ran the Smith Dairy Farm which was located where Harborview School stands. Joe and Betty had 7 children: Gail, Chris, Sharon, Joe Jr., Tim, Julia and Becky. Betty was an avid berry picker and preserved them. She also worked at the Department of Transportation. Not considering herself retired, Betty continues to work as a bookkeeper for the family business.

Marilyn Kiefer—Celebration of Life



July 21, 1925—July 31, 2017

Marilyn "a gentle spirit', was born in Eyota, Minnesota along with her 9 siblings. She has two living brothers— Burt Ernst of Spokane, WA and brother Darry Ernst lives in New Jersey.

Marilyn has lived in Alaska since 1972. She met her husband Rick at college and was married just short of 50 years. Rick had Multiple Sclerosis for 30 years and died in 2005. Marilyn was his primary caregiver.

Marilyn has three children, Scott, Kim and Kari and two grandchildren, Katie and Travis and a great children Max, Carmela and Felicity.

Family was always first with Marilyn. She grew up on a farm and lost her father when she was 11 years old. Her mother stayed on the farm for another 6-7 years then moved with Marilyn and her younger brother to Rochester. Marilyn worked at Bartlett Regional Hospital as the Medical Records Director.



AUGUST EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS

Dimas Carrillo—August 1

Maria Newman — August 3

Susan Nierra—August 4

Laura Minnie—August 15

Megan Wilfong—August 23



MICHELLE PICKING SALMONBERRIES DURING ADVENTURE TRIP WITH RESIDENTS

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NEW FACES AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD



JAIME ALVAREZ HOUSEKEEPING



MARINO CAMBALIZA HOUSEKEEPING



ELIZABETH RAMSETH CNA



BRIAN SEYMOUR HOUSEKEEPING